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June 1956, to cover ORR and OSI interests at this Fair and Scientific Conference.

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2. On 21 June this office was advised by State Department cable that the USSR now does not plan to have an exhibit of equipment at the Trade Fair, but will participate in the Congress. This means that the availability of Soviet Bloc hardware on exhibit will be limited to Italian representatives of Czech and Hungarian industries.

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- 3. This change in plans will limit the objectives of ttendance to the following:
 - a. Collection of technical, manufacturing, pricing and export-import information on Satellite industries.
 - b. Collection of required descriptive literature on EuSats and Western European electronics products, in support of OSI, NSA, and CRR requirements.
 - c. Evaluation of the state of technology and manufacturing for European electronics in general, in support of OSI and ORR requirements.
 - d. As potentially available through commercial contact, discussion of technical and economic subjects with the Soviet industry personnel attending the conference.
 - e. Collection of pertinent published proceedings of the Congress, in support of OSI and ORR requirements.
 - f. Determination of the best method by which future trade fairs should be exploited in support of CRR requirements, with particular evaluation of using an industry cover.

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4. Since all arrangements for this foreign travel have been completed, and since it is apparent that significant information of mutual interest to OSI and CRR can be obtained, it is suggested that the trip be completed as planned.

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